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SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST FRENCH, ETHIOPIAN EMBASSIES

1. PRESS GAVE HEAVY PLAY TO DECEMBER 21 DEMONSTRATION AGAINST FRENCH EMBASSY PROTESTING DEATH OF TWO TFAI STUDENTS. YOUTHFUL DEMONSTRATORS, NUMBERING TWO-THREE HUNDRED, CARRIED PLACARDS, DENOUNCING QTE STOOGES ALI AREF UNQTE, CONDEMNING FRENCH ADMINISTRATION'S QTE BARBARIC ACTION UNQTE AND AFFIRMING INEVITABILITY SUCCESS OF LIBERATION STRUGGLE UNDER LEADERSHIP OF QTE VANGUARD PARTY UNQTE, AFRICAN POPULAR LEAGUE FOR INDEPENDENCE. DEMONSTRATORS DELIVERED PROTEST NOTE ADDRESSED AMBASSADOR JEAN GUEURY (WHO HAS BEEN OUT OF TOWN SINCE DECEMBER 17). DEMONSTRATION WAS ORDERLY AND WELL-ORGANIZED.

2. SEPARATE DEMONSTRATION LAUNCHED SAME DAY AGAINST ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY. ACCORDING REPORT FROM ETHIOPIAN CHARGE, HAILU KEBEDE, SEVERAL HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS, MAINLY OLD PEOPLE, CONGREGATED IN FRONT OF CHANCERY BETWEEN 1000 - 1030 HRS. STONES WERE THROWN INTO COMPOUND AND SOME WINDOWS BROKEN, THOUGH NO ONE INSIDE INJURED. DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED NO SIGNS, NOR WAS ATTEMPT MADE TO DELIVER PROTEST NOTE. UNCLEAR TO CHARGE AT THIS POINT

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EXACTLY WHAT DEMONSTRATORS PROTESTING AGAINST. POLICE

WERE PRESENT PRIOR TO DEMONSTRATION BUT MADE NO ATTEMPT TO
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